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C O N F I D E N T I A L QUITO 8539

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: OAS, EC
SUBJECT: URUGUAY'S OFFER TO HOST THE VIII OASGA

REF: STATE 304288

1. WE ARE NOT SANGUINE THAT THE US WOULD BE SUCCESSFUL
IN BLOCKING MONTEVIDEO AS THE SITE OF THE NEXT OASGA SHOULD
WE CHOOSE TO TRY. ECUADOR WOULD BE RATHER RELUCTANT TO
APPEAR HOSTILE TO URUGUAY ON THIS ISSUE BECAUSE OF LATIN
AMERICAN SOLIDARITY AND ALSO BECAUSE OF LINGERING SUSPICIONS
ABOUT THE DEGREE OF INTERFERENCE IN INTERNAL AFFAIRS THE
HUMAN RIGHTS MOVEMENT REPRESENTS.

2. WE COULD, OF COURSE, PRESS THE ISSUE HERE AND ELSEWHERE
WITH SOME RESULTS. SOME ARM-TWISTING OR HORSETRADING HERE
(SUPPORT FOR THE ECUADOREAN CANDIDATE FOR THE SEC GEN OF PAHO,
FOR EXAMPLE) COULD PRODUCE A MORE NEGATIVE ECUADOREAN POSITION
TOWARDS URUGUAY. HOWEVER, GLANCING AT OUR NEIGHBORS
AND CONCLUDING THAT A WINNING MARGIN WILL BE VERY
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DIFFICULT TO OBTAIN WITHOUT RESORT TO SIMILAR TACTICS
IN SEVERAL COUNTRIES, WE HAVE TO ASK WHETHER IT IS WORTH
IT. WE MUST ALSO CONSIDER THE TIME FRAME INVOLVED: FIVE
DAYS BEFORE PERMANENT COUNCIL VOTE OVER CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY
MILITATE AGAINST OUR ABILITY TO PRESENT ALTERNATIVES WITH
ANY SUCCESS. IN THIS SENSE, URUGUAY APPEARS TO HAVE
STOLEN THE MARCH ON THE REST OF US.

3. EMBASSY BELIEVES THAT US SHOULD EXERCISE PRUDENCE ON THIS ISSUE. IF VENEZUELA AND OTHERS CHOOSE TO MAKE A FIGHT, WE SHOULD SUPPORT THEM. HOWEVER, A US-LED CAMPAIGN IS LIKELY TO BE SELF-DEFEATING. SHOULD USG DECIDE TO PRESS ISSUE REGARDLESS OF WHAT WE VIEW AS LITTLE CHANCE FOR SUCCESS, PLEASE NOTIFY US RAPIDLY SO THAT WE CAN RAISE ISSUE PRIOR TO SCHEDULED DEC 28 MEETING.
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